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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 March 2004.
2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) 15-20 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☐ Claim(s) 1-4 13 and 14 is/are rejected.
7) ☒ Claim(s) 5-12 is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
 - I. Claims 1-14, drawn to a bicycle power supply, classified in class 290, subclass 40.
 - II. Claims 15-20, drawn to method of providing power from an alternating current, classified in class 29, subclass 569.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons.

Inventions II and I are related as apparatus and product made. The inventions in this relationship are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the apparatus as claimed is not an obvious apparatus for making the product and the apparatus can be used for making a different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different apparatus (MPEP § 806.05(g)). In this case a bicycle can penetrate electrical power with out storing in to a capacitor and also capacitor can be used to store electricity being attached to any electrical a machine such as an induction motor.

2. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
3. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required for Group I is not required for Group II, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

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4. During a telephone conversation with Applicant's representative on May 10, 2005 a provisional election was made with out traverse to prosecute the invention of group I, claims 1-14. Applicant in replying to this Office action must make affirmation of this election.

5. Claims 15-20 have been withdrawn from further consideration by the examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

7. Claims 1-4, 13 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Bauwens US patent 4,860,176.

Bauwens' 176 discloses a bicycle power supply (see Fig. 1) apparatus comprising: a battery unit (2, column 3, line 9, Fig. 5 and 6) for storing power from a power supply (1, generator column 2, line 14, Fig. 5 and 6) for supplying power to electrical components (see Fig. 5 and 6), a power switch operatively coupled to the battery unit (8, 9, column 3, line 9, Fig. 5) for selectively switching power from the battery unit to the electrical components and a first switch control unit that power supply and controls the power receives power (19, column 3, line 34, Fig. 6) from the switch according to the power received from the power supply, wherein the first switch control unit is structured to receive power from the power supply in parallel with the battery unit (8, 9, column 3, line

9, Fig 5), wherein the battery unit is structured to receive power from an alternating current generator. (1), further comprising a first rectifier (5', column 3, line 13, Fig.5) , wherein the battery unit powers the second switch control unit (9 see Fig. 5) and the battery unit powers the second switch (19. Fig.6) control unit through the power switch.

Allowable Subject Matter

8. Claims 5-12 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Iraj A. Mohandesi whose telephone number is 571-272-2028. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F.

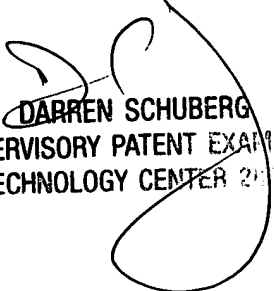
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Darren Schuberg can be reached on 571-272-2044. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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